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Applicant : ANDREW A. FRANK  
Title : METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE OPERATING  
CHARACTERISTICS OF A HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLE  
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**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONSIDERATION  
OF REFERENCE SUBMITTED IN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of the following references which were submitted with Applicant's information disclosure statement filed on 06/24/2003:

Yang, D. et al.; "CONTROL AND RESPONSE OF CONTINUOUSLY  
VARIABLE TRANSMISSION (CVT) VEHICLES," University of Wisconsin,  
pp. 1-7, (undated)

The Examiner inadvertently changed the title of the reference on the Form PTO-A820 and did not show the reference being considered. Another copy of the reference, a clean Form PTO-A820, and a copy of the Form PTO-A820 original signed by the Examiner are enclosed.

In addition, the Examiner inadvertently did not show as considered the following reference:

WO 00/25417

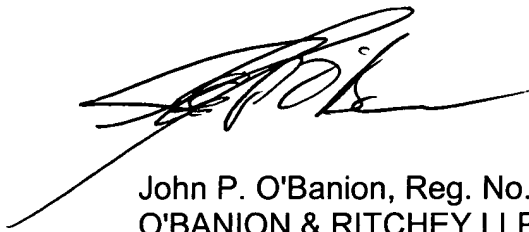
However, during a telephone conference with the Examiner on August 6, 2004, the Examiner explained that the reference was duplicative of cited U.S. Patent No.

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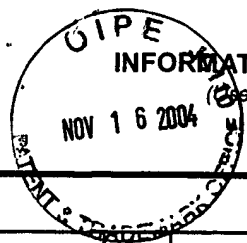
6,054,844, but also indicated that the Examiner would initial the reference as requested by the Applicant.

Date: 11/16/04

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. P. O'Banion', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

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